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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Secretary
U. S. Board on Geographic Names
Department of Interior
Washington 25, D. C.

SUBJECT: Paper entitled "Proposed Solutions of Geographic
Names Problems Raised by Joint-Specifications,
Maps and Charts"

1. It is understood that you have asked the members of the working group to obtain the attitudes of their respective agencies in regard to the content of the reference paper.

2. This Agency believes that the reference paper, in general, comprises a statement of staff procedures and cooperation by agencies represented on the Board which are necessary to obtain standardized usage by these agencies in respect to foreign geographic names and are required for effective staff work in support of the Board's legal responsibilities.

3. Although recognizing that direct appropriations to the Department of Interior may be the eventual solution for adequate financial support of the Board's inter-departmental function, as indicated in sub-paragraph 7 of the reference paper, this agency intends to continue its current method of financing services rendered by the Board and its staff until it receives adequate assurance that its total requirements for geographic name policy determination, research and standardization can be fulfilled by use of direct appropriations from Congress.

4. This Agency has already demonstrated its willingness to cooperate with the Board's staff along the lines suggested by the staff procedures in the reference paper. Any adjustments in

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procedures that will benefit the intelligence community, with due consideration of military operational requirements, will be given serious consideration. With reference to sub-paragraph 10 of the reference paper, it is assumed that the types of emergency circumstances specified by the Board will encompass special conditions faced by this Agency in which it may not be able to conform with the recommended procedures.

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CIA Representative
U. S. Board on Geographic Names

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